Recommendations of Chattopadhyaya Commission

*240. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU:
SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the recommendations of the Chattopadhyaya Commission which have since been implemented;

(b) what are the details of the recommendations which have not yet been implemented;

(c) by when the unimplemented recommendations are likely to be implemented;

(d) whether the All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association has been demanding for bilateral talks with Government in this regard; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (e) The All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association have been demanding implementation of recommendations of Chattopadhyaya Commission including a meaningful revision of pay scales. An Action Taken Report containing the views of the Govt. on all the recommendations made by the Chattopadhyaya Commission is attached. (*See* Appendix 159, Annexure No. 34).

Demand of Concession for Small Units by Federation of Engineering Industries of India

@1106. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Federation of Engineering Industries of India (FEII) have recently urged the Government of India for extension of certain concessions for small scale units;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of the Government of India in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Federation of Engineering Industries of India (FEII) have urged the Government to consider raising the limit of excise duty exemption in respect of clearances made by small scale units from the existing level of Rs. 20 lakhs to Rs. 50 lakhs per annum. It has also suggested that the limit of concessional rate of duty in case of small scale units may be raised from Rs. 75 lakhs to Rs. 2 crores per annum. Further, the Federation has urged that the ceiling for entitlement of benefits under the small scale exemption scheme be raised from Rs. 2 crores to Rs. 5 crores per annum. According to the Federation, the concessions are necessary on account of the increase in investment limits for the small scale sector from Rs. 35 lakhs to Rs. 60 lakhs and also on account of the rising prices of various raw materials.

(c) Concessions in respect of central excise duties for the small scale sector are considered adequate.

Exports of Iron Ore

@@1107. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
SHRI RANJIT SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target fixed for the iron ore exports for 1990-91;

@Previously Unstarred Question No. 328, transferred from 18th July, 1991.

@@Previously Unstarred Question No. 428, transferred from 19th July, 1991.

(b) what was the percentage of shortfall in the iron ore export target; alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) what is the shortfall in the foreign exchange earnings as against the estimated earnings; and

(d) what is the iron ore export target fixed for 1991-92 and the manner in which it is proposed to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Target fixed for export of Iron Ore for 1990-91 was 32.95 million tonnes valued at about Rs. 1160 crores.

(b) and (c) The shortfall in exports as a percentage of the export target was 3 per cent in terms of quantity and 8.62 per cent in terms of value. The shortfall was primarily due to lower off-take of iron ore by Romania and GDR and of pellets by Hungary. The shortfall in foreign exchange earnings was Rs. 99.97 crores.

(d) The target for export of iron ore for 1991-92 is 34.75 million tonnes and is to be achieved through market diversification.

Manuscripts of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore

@@@1108. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether rare manuscripts of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore have lately been procured by the Indian High Commissioner in U.K. and are being brought home; and

(b) if so, at what cost and where and how the same will be kept and preserved?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Tagore manuscripts have been acquired at a cost of £ 27,020,00 and will be kept in an appropriate institution to be identified by the Government of West Bengal.

योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन में धीमी प्रगति

£1109. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय :

क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विश्व बैंक की सहायता से चलाई जा रही योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन की गति अत्यधिक धीमी रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो मध्य प्रदेश तथा अन्य राज्यों में ऐसी कौन-कौन सी योजनाएं हैं जिनमें बहुत धीमी प्रगति हुई है ; और

(ग) इस धीमी प्रगति के कारण विश्व बैंक की योजनाओं में समय व राशि में कितनी वृद्धि हुई है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर) : (क) और (ग) विश्व बैंक परियोजनाओं का कार्यान्वयन अवसर, प्रकृति और परियोजना की अवधि से संबंधित अनेक कारणों पर निर्भर करता है ।

कतिपय विदेशी सहायता प्राप्त परियोजनाओं में विलम्ब से उपयोग अनेक कारणों से होता है जिसमें मुद्रा-विनिमय दर घट-बढ़ अपर्याप्त प्रतिरूप निधि,

@@@Previously Unstarred Question No. 590, transferred from 24th July, 1991.

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